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Normal takes a back seat in Ala. election

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Rebecca Swartzendruber of Norwood and her great-nephew, Gus, along with good friend, Sara Dicken, of downtown, get off The Cincinnati Bell Connector at Fifth and Walnut. SORTA will continue to run the streetcar. THE ENQUIRER/ LIZ DUFOUR

SORTA votes 'no' on divorce from streetcar

Board steers away from controversy

Randy Tucker
Cincinnati Enquirer
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SORTA doesn't need more controversy or distractions.

That was the opinion expressed by several members of the Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority board, which Tuesday voted 8-3 to keep operating and maintaining Cincinnati's streetcar.

Opponents said the board is already hamstrung by the public perception that it dedicates most of its time to the Cincinnati Bell Connector streetcar system, which hasn't lived up to ridership expectations.

First-year ridership numbers came in

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Could Hamilton be traded?

Reds, Giants talking about speedy outfielder.

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Bengals look to be spoilers

Team aims to keep Minnesota from taking top spot in NFC.

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Sales of new book to benefit Blink

Officials discussing whether the event will be back in 2018.

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